

I am writing to protest Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to make their stations air an anti-Kerry documentary just a few days before the presidential election. It is clearly an example of how media consolidation can threaten our democracy.

Because Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge it is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Showing such a one-sided, distorted show as "Stolen Honor" is an abuse of this privilege that serves their own, vested interest at the expense of public interest. And who reimburses the local stations for lost advertizing revenues?

Please consider that there is nothing for democracy to lose by reducing media consolidation, and much for it to lose when companies like Sinclair become so dominant in the public broadcasting market. The license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.